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HILL'S HENCHMEN

Do His Bidding With Most Surprising Promptness.

COOPER UNION'S FEEBLE KICK.

They Are Promptly Sat Upon by the Committee.

HILL GETS THE DELEGATION

Bound Together by the Iron Clad Unit Rule.

The Platform Adopted Deals in the Usual Platitudes That Have Been Mouthed by Democratic Orators For Years--The News Received at Washington With Joy by the Republicans and Disgust by the Democratic Politicians--The Spoils Faction of the Democracy Delighted.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, D. C. Feb. 22.—The news from the Albany convention telling of the instructions to the state delegation to the national convention to vote as a unit for Hill as the Democratic candidate for the Presidency is all the gossip here this evening. It seems to be pleasing and displeasing to Democrats in about equal numbers, but among Republicans there is no difference of opinion.

They are simply delighted with the prospect of Hill's nomination at Chicago which they now consider to be superior to that of any other candidate named. They seem to think that it effectually kills off Cleveland whom they have always looked upon as the most dangerous candidate the Democrats could nominate. On every side is heard the expression among Republicans that with Hill a candidate the Republicans "will win in a walk over."

While with the younger Democratic politicians, who believe that the end justifies the means, and that Jackson was exactly right in his epigram in regard to the spoils. Cleveland is a synonym for the worst sort of mugwump politics, and Hill's is the ideal for a presidential candidate. But to the old fashioned Democrats, who still cling to the conviction that a man with a fair development of the qualities of a statesman should be nominated rather than a mere machine politician, the result of the convention at Albany to-day is very disheartening. Probably three-fourths of the Democrats in Congress favor the nomination of Cleveland, and they undoubtedly represent their constituents in this, if not their methods of legislation.

They look with alarm on the possible nomination of Hill at Chicago as prophetic of failure, or at least of a struggle immeasurably more severe than they think would be necessary to accomplish the election of Cleveland.

It is a hope with this class of Democrats and a fear with the Republicans, that the bottom will drop out of the Hill boom on account of the recklessness with which it has been manipulated.

HILL'S HIPPODROME.

The Convention Sends a Delegation Bound to Him by the Unit Rule.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 22.—Delegates turned out late this morning, and for two reasons. They went to bed late last night in the first place, and in the second place, there was no fighting to be done. The ex-governor, at the Delavan House, was later astir than usual, but his focus, up at the Kenmore, a block away, were early moving, and the morning arrivals from out through the state were met and escorted to their headquarters. Mr. Franklin D. Locke, of Buffalo, was determined at a morning conference as the man to preside at the meeting of the anti-Hill people at Eagle hall this afternoon.

The state committee met this morning previous to assembling of the convention for the purpose of settling the several contests. The protest of the Cooper Union meeting with a resolution asking for the dissolution of today's convention by the committee was presented, and on motion of Bourke Cockran by unanimous vote the protest and resolution was tabled.

When the committee of the anti-Hill movement returned to their headquarters the committee retired into private quarters where the situation was canvassed for definite hearings and action.

The convention was called to order by Chairman Edward Murphy of the state committee at noon. The crush was tremendous. Many delegates were shut out through the anxiety of the Albany people to get in. Without formality the chairman introduced the temporary chairman, Judge George M. Beebe.

WHAT WARMED THEM UP.

Judge Beebe's reference to David B. Hill as "the leader under whom Democracy has never known disaster, dishonor or defeat," was the sentence of the address that warmed the blood of the delegates, and a shout that broke into a series of rattling yells burst forth from several thousand throats. Following the speech of Mr. Beebe the clerk called the roll of delegates.

Committees on Credentials, permanent organization, platform and delegates were then selected.

The following resolution was adopted in regard to the committee on delegates and elections:

That the delegates from the several congressional districts select one delegate from each congressional district to constitute a committee on delegates and elections, and the committee so constituted is hereby directed to report to this convention its approval of the names of four delegates and four alternates, who shall be the delegates and the alternates from the state at large to the Democratic national convention to be held in Chicago on June 21, 1892; also two delegates and two alternates to said convention from each congressional district to be nominated to said committee by the delegates from the several congressional districts; also the names of two presidential

electors from the state at large and one elector from each congressional district, said district elector to be nominated to said committee by the delegates from the several congressional districts; and in any case where the delegates from a congressional district are unable to agree on a choice for district delegates or presidential elector, they shall report that fact to the committee on delegates and electors, which shall determine the selection, subject to the approval of the convention.

Then Mr. Wood, from the Twenty-First district said: I would like to have the clerk inform me if the delegates from the Twenty-First district have handed in a list of delegates of persons to represent them upon the various committees.

"I am informed such a list has been handed in," said the chairman.

THE FIRST BREEZE

Mr. Wood—"I object to that list for the reason that the delegates who represent that district have not yet met and not yet decided upon the persons to represent them on the several committees and as national delegates. For my district I ask that we be given fair play and justice."

It then appeared from the cross conversation which followed between the chair and the Clinton county delegation that the delegates from the congressional district are divided, six and six, Clinton led by George Wood and Essex being in a deadlock with Warren and Franklin counties. The six delegates from the two last named counties met before the convention and selected national delegates not in sympathy with Smith W. Weed, and friendly to Mr. Hill.

Then came down the aisle Lieutenant Governor Sheehan. He said: "I simply desire to make a suggestion. The congressional delegation from Mr. Weed's district is evenly divided, and I don't think they can agree. The twelve delegates from that district are here. I see no reason why they do not confer now and determine whether or not they can agree. If they cannot do so, under the resolution already adopted the matter is to be referred to and determined by the committee on delegates and electors. This convention can wait a few minutes."

Mr. Weed expressed himself in favor of this proposition, stating that he had made the same proposition to Mr. Griffin, chairman of the Warren delegation, but he had declined it. After two or three minutes conference Mr. Weed replied that the delegation from the twenty-first congressional district were evenly divided, and therefore unable to agree on members of committees or national delegates. Under the resolution already adopted the question was referred to committee on delegates and electors for determination.

Recess was then taken until 3:30 p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Bleeker Hall was as crowded as at the morning session when Chairman Beebe called the afternoon session to order at 4:20. The report of the committee on contested seats favored the seating of the sitting delegates in the contested cases in Albany and Chautauque.

The Oswego contest was withdrawn. The report was adopted. The report of the committee on permanent organization was then presented and adopted.

General Daniel E. Sickles was made permanent chairman, and when he was introduced by Judge Beebe he received an ovation.

James W. Ridgeway, of Kings county, then handed up the report of the committee on resolutions which was read by Secretary De Forest. The paper constituting the convention's platform is as follows:

The Democratic party of the state of New York in convention assembled renews the pledge of its fidelity to the great cause of tariff reform and to the whole Democratic faith and tradition as affirmed in our national platforms from 1876 to 1888, as well as in our state platforms, concurrent with the opening of Governor Tilden's brief, and the close of Governor Hill's long, thrice approved and alike illustrious service in the chief magistracy of the Empire state.

THE PLATFORM.

First—Gold and silver, the only legal tender; no currency inconvertible with coin.

Second—Steady steps toward specie payments; no step backward.

Third—Honest payment of the public debt in coin; sacred preservation of the public faith.

Fourth—Revenue reform; federal taxation for revenue only; no government partnership with protected monopolies.

Fifth—Home rule, to limit and localize most jealously the few powers intrusted to public servants, municipal and federal, no centralization.

Sixth—Equal and exact justice to all men, no partial legislation, no partial taxation.

Seventh—The presidency a public trust, not a private perquisite; no third term.

Eighth—Economy in the public expense that labor may be lightly burdened.

"We now, as then, steadfastly adhere to the principles of sound finances."

"We are against the coinage of any silver dollar which is not of the intrinsic value of every other dollar of the United States."

"We therefore denounce the new Sherman silver law under which one-tenth of our gold stocks has been exported and all our silver output is dammed up at home as a false pretense, but actual hindrance of return to free bi-metallic coinage, and as tending only to produce a change from one kind of monometallism to another."

"We, therefore, unite with the friends of honest money everywhere in stigmatizing the Sherman progressive silver basis law as no solution of the gold and silver question and as a fit appendix to the subsidy and bounty swindle, the McKinley worse than war tariff, the Blaine reciprocity humbug, the squandered surplus, the advancing deficit, the defective census and falsified representation, and the revolutionary procedures of the billion dollar Congress—all justly condemned by the people's great uprising last November, 1890—a verdict which renewed this year (1892) will empower Democratic statesmen to guide the people's councils and to execute the people's will."

THE EXAMPLE OF GOVERNOR TILDEN.

The Democrats of New York recall with proud memory the inflexible sound finance of Governor Tilden, who not only administered the state government with frugality, but who also with unequalled ability and unflinching resolution demanded a thorough reform of

tariff taxation, and likewise with a statesman's energy and foresight assailed the shameful degradation of our greenback currency and led the Democratic party in pushing on the compulsory Republican advance to a current coinage redemption if not also to that coin payment of the same whereto as well "the faith of the United States is solemnly pledged."

THE RECORD OF GOV. HILL.

The Democrats of New York refer with grateful pride to the inflexible sound finance of Governor Hill, who by efficient economy throughout his long administrative career has accomplished the practical extinction of our state debt, has faithfully urged with a powerful and practiced advocacy the nation's release from the bondage of unequal, unnecessary and unjust taxation, imposed by the tariff of 1883, and the repeal of the super-added impositions of the two McKinley laws; and likewise with a statesman's energy and true foresight of the 70 cent dollar pushing for birth in the body of the Sherman silver law, has taken up the people's cause assailed the Republican degradation of the people's silver money, and led the advance of the Democratic party of New York with unflinching steps to that solid ground of high justice and equity upon which they stand to-day absolutely without discord of division, in this behalf "demanding" with him that every dollar coined in these United States shall be the equal of every other dollar so coined and demanding the redress of their present shameful inequality.

INSTRUCTED FOR HILL.

The Democrats of New York with proud hope, yet with perfect deference to their brethren of other states, and cordial estimation of their renowned leaders as worthy standard bearers of a people's cause, point to the nomination of David B. Hill to the office of President as a fit expression of the whole Democratic faith and tradition and of our settled purpose to rescue this perverted government from the clutch of the autocrats and plutocrats, from the sordid administration, odious taxes and debased money.

In obedience to the mandate of the Democratic voters of New York, the delegates selected by this convention are instructed to present to the national Democratic convention the name of David B. Hill as the candidate for President of the United States, a Democrat who has led his party from victory to victory for seven successive years and who has never known defeat.

The said delegates are further instructed to act as a unit on all matters instructed to their charge, said action to be determined by the vote of a majority of the delegates.

Resolved, That we congratulate the people of the state upon the auspicious opening of Governor Flower's administration, and extend to him the assurance of our cordial support in his earnest effort to give the people a frugal, honest and efficient government of state affairs.

When that passage instructing for David B. Hill was read the air was shaken by an outbreak that made the bunting quiver, and when the resolutions were unanimously adopted, the cheers broke forth again, and subsided only when Col. John R. Fellows arose in his place near the front of the Tammany delegation and moved that a committee be delegated to wait upon Senator Hill and request him to appear before and address the convention.

OVATION TO HILL.

Senator Hill entered the room, and his appearance was the signal for unbounded enthusiasm.

The din died only of exhaustion, as Mr. Hill, upon the arm of Colonel Fellows, walked down the aisle to the measure of the band music. Coming finally upon the stage, Mr. Hill shook hands with General Sickles, removed his overcoat, took from one of his pockets his speech in printed copy, and waited for the applause to subside. When silence had come on the throng, General Sickles, leaning upon his crutch, waved his right hand toward Mr. Hill, said:

"I present to you, gentlemen of the convention, the young hickory of the Democracy, our next presidential candidate, David B. Hill."

Then came more cheers and added din and Mr. Hill stood waiting, his face very pale and one hand tightly gripped in nervous tension.

At length the noise subsided and Senator Hill spoke. He said:

Fellow Democrats: Your committee summoning me to this presence, have apprised me of that unanimous vote which will make known your approval of me to the authorized representatives of the Democracy of the United States, and be recorded in the annals of our national convention. With what terms shall I acknowledge this official act my fellow Democrats, which instead of pointing to some new untired career, might simply reward and crown the labors of the longest life. From that great cardinal whose "Lead, Kindly Light" has touched the hearts of all Christians, let my gratitude humbly borrow this wondrous response that I myself could ever frame to the great Democracy whom you represent. My respect for them obliges me to submit myself to their praise as to a grave and emphatic judgment upon me, which it would be rude to question, unthankful not to be proud of, and impossible ever to forget.

WHAT TRUE DEMOCRACY IS.

The re-awakening of the Democracy all over our land is the most auspicious sign of the times. When the people of France rose against oppression a hundred years ago it meant revolution, a change of rulers and a social earthquake. When the Democracy of America rises, it means an upheaval at the ballot-box, a change of their servants and political reform. This is true Democracy.

This is a government of, by and for the people. When you see the farmers aroused and allied; when you see all the federations of labor stirring; when you see in every state the great Democratic party up and afoot, it means that the reign of plutocrats is nearly over and the bright day of Democracy is approaching dawn. The use of political parties is to promote the expression of the people's mandates. The function of statesmen is to frame and execute the same by just and equal laws. The Democratic party has this proud record. It is swift in its response to the people's needs. It makes choice of safe and wise statesmen to do the statutory landmark of the people's progress and render their energies to an even larger liberty. Democracy is progress. Liberty is its vital air.

HILL ON SILVER.

Continuing, Mr. Hill said: The Sherman silver law now transforming the

Federal coinage power of silver and gold into an instrument for the gradual expulsion of our gold, for the establishment of an exclusive basis and for the permanent reduction of every American dollar by thirty per cent or more below the level of its true value during the whole period of our free bi-metallic coinage from 1792 to 1873. Shall such a law stand? There has been no such legislation for free men since Cromwell called the law of England a "tortuous and ungodly jumble." The demand for the repeal of these edicts of the billion dollar Congress has extorted from Republican leaders their published purpose to refuse repeal.

Tariff reform will remain and require progressive solution with the wise and politic method of abolishing whenever practicable one after another, one indefensible tax at a time, where the two McKinley laws to-day replaced by the tariff of 1883. But I do not flinch backward from the advance line of entrenchment which the Democrats of New York have won, kept and will guard. I do not shrink a deadly grapple with the Republican revolutionists whose banners no longer fly the tariff of 1883, but now fly the mad McKinley laws and the wild Sherman law and mock us from the citadels of power."

The speech was intently listened to, and while not often broken by applause, it was cheered loudly at its close, and the band played "Three cheers for the Red, White and Blue."

The motion to adjourn came quickly then and the convention at 5:30 p. m. adjourned sine die.

PROTESTERS MEET

And Issue a Call for Another Convention, May 31.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 22.—The Anti's finally repaired to Union Hall, where Hon. Charles J. Canda and Wallace MacFarlane were chosen secretaries.

The roll of those present was then read by Secretary MacFarlane, 26 counties being represented. Mr. E. Ellery Anderson was called upon and made a stirring speech, which was frequently interrupted by applause.

Following his speech an address to the Democrats of the state was read as follows:

Pursuant to the demands of many thousands Democratic voters in the city of New York who gave formal expression to their wishes at a public meeting held at Cooper Union the 11th day of February and of a similar expression from many thousands Democrats in Kings county and of similar demands made by Democrats in the counties of Albany, Cattaraugus, Chautauque, Dutchess, Erie, Genesee, Greene, Herkimer, Livingston, Madison, Monroe, Montgomery, Niagara, Oneida, Onondaga, Ontario, Orange, Orleans, Oswego, Otsego, Queens, Rockland, Schoenectady, Schoharie, Westchester and Wyoming.

Resolved, That the Democratic electors of each assembly district in this state are hereby requested to choose three delegates and three alternates at assembly district conventions, which shall be constituted by primaries, held in no case earlier than the first day of May, and on not less than five days public notice of the time and place of holding, the same to form a state convention to be held on the 31st day of May, at Syracuse, for the purpose of choosing seventy-two delegates and seventy-two alternates to represent the Democratic party of this state at the national convention to be held at Chicago on the 21st day of June.

Resolved, That the chairman of this meeting appoints a committee of fourteen members, of which the chairman shall be one, which shall have power to fill vacancies and add to its own number so as to constitute and be known as a provisional state committee, consisting of one member for each congressional district, according to the present apportionment of the state, to take such action as may be deemed to carry the purposes of these resolutions into full effect.

The din of cheers and the breeze of waving hats which followed the reading of the address was maintained several minutes, dying out and renewing and rising until it died of sheer weariness.

Frank M. Thorne, an Erie county farmer, then made a short address, which was the oratorical feature of the convention. Mr. Thorne, in the course of his speaking said:

It is a trite proverb that the blood of the martyr is the seed of the church. It is equally true that the warm blood of an outraged Democracy is the seed of revolution.

I congratulate you upon the fact that an important and effective step has been taken in the revolution which aims to restore and re-establish the rights of the Democratic masses.

The chairman then named the provisional committee, which shall be the nucleus of the new state committee. The convention then adjourned.

The provisional committee, which will add to its number until a full state committee is formed, will meet at 10 a. m. next Saturday at the office of E. Ellery Anderson, New York City, for the purpose of organization.

Lectured on Their Duty.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—Fifty-nine Conservative, thirteen Unionist, eighteen Gladstonian and seven Irish members of the House of Commons having intimated they will not run again for parliament, the Standard lectures them on the subject, claiming it is their duty to the nation not to absent themselves from parliament.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Library block, at Decatur, Ill., occupied by the Public Library, Brown's Business College, a Knights of Pythias lodge and several manufacturing concerns and private offices, was burned last night, causing a total loss of \$100,000. Partially covered by insurance.

Emperor William and Prince Henry were guests of General Von Versen, at Berlin, at dinner on Saturday. Mark Twain, who was also a guest, sat next to the emperor. The emperor conversed with the American author upon his writings.

The Brigham Young Memorial Association has let the contract to Sculptor Dolph for a statue of the great Mormon leader, to be erected at the southeast corner of the temple block, to cost \$50,000.

The Democratic state central committee, of Illinois, met at Chicago yesterday morning and decided to hold the next Democratic state convention at Springfield, April 27.

Railway communications with Western Europe are still suspended, owing to inundations. No through trains have arrived or departed at Constantinople since Thursday.

BIG CONVENTION

Of Republicans Will Gather in Parkersburg To-day.

THE CITY ALREADY CROWDED

And Only the Advance Guards of Clubs Are Present.

HUNDREDS MORE ARE EXPECTED

To Be Present When the Convention Meets.

Secretary of War Elkins and Commissioner Mason Will Be Unavoidably Detained--Meeting of the State Executive Committee--Time and Place For Holding the State Convention To Be Decided--Dr. Stathers, of Ohio, and Hon. T. W. Fleming, of Marion, Prominent Candidates For the League Presidency.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Feb. 22.—People who were fortunate enough to witness the organization of the State Republican Club League four years ago this month, in Wheeling, will remember what a magnificent convention that was—the best, if not the largest, and most enthusiastic Republican gathering ever held in West Virginia. Its duplicate will be held here in Parkersburg to-morrow. Among those who are early on the ground the remark is common that the prospects are fair that the Wheeling convention will be excelled as to numbers in attendance. Although only a sprinkling of the delegates have arrived, Parkersburg is alive with Republicans to-night hailing from every section of the state, each county representative reporting that he is only the "advance guard" of the numbers who will be in on the late trains to-night, or those that are scheduled for to-morrow morning before the convention meets. From as far east as Jefferson county, and from McDowell and Mercer counties, in the south, delegates are here, and every train dumps into the city a delegation from some interior county. The morning train down the Ohio River road brought a Wheeling crowd, and at every station between Wheeling and Parkersburg the passenger list was lengthened. The night train brought a still larger number.

CITY CROWDED WITH REPUBLICANS.

The up train from Charleston was weighted with live Republicans from the lower end of the state, some of whom were earnest enough in the cause to come from points far removed from a direct railroad route. The Baltimore & Ohio trains from the east have contributed their share. The result of it all is that at an early hour to-night the hotels were taxed to their utmost capacity, and as early as 8 o'clock the gentlemen clerks were giving to anxious enquirers for rooms the answer "will try and provide you with a cot, sir." To-morrow morning a Taylor county delegation, fifty strong, will arrive. Ritchie county will send fifty, and the representatives of many other counties report that large delegations numbering anywhere from five to twenty-five will show up. All of which goes to show that the Republican party in West Virginia is very much alive this year.

WILL GET DOWN TO WORK.

The convention to-morrow will be composed largely of the young, active workers of the party, and will meet for business at 11 o'clock, in the Academy of Music. It is not likely that much time will be wasted with formalities. The outpouring is too spontaneous for that. It will get right down to the work of organizing for the campaign which every man feels will be fraught with so much importance to the future of Republicanism in West Virginia. Talks with representatives from every section of the state this afternoon and to-night develop the fact that everywhere there is a feeling that this is a Republican year in West Virginia. All that is needed is earnest work on the part of every Republican to accomplish the result for which they have striven for so many years.

The initiative so far as the working club organizations are concerned will be taken to-morrow. Much disappointment is expressed on all sides to-night at the news that Hon. John W. Mason, commissioner of internal revenue, who was announced to be present, is detained in Washington by the illness of his little son.

SECRETARY ELKINS CANNOT BE PRESENT.

Secretary of War Elkins, who is expected to-morrow, may be obliged to disappoint the league also, as the following telegram, received from him late this afternoon, will show:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 22.

DEAR SIR:—I find that a matter of great importance requires me to go to New York this afternoon, and I may not be able to return in time to attend the meeting of the clubs on the 23d instant. Will do so if possible. If I should not, however, kindly express my sincere regrets and best wishes to the convention together with my greetings and good wishes for a successful meeting and one that will advance the interests of the Republican party in the state.

Very truly,
S. B. ELKINS.

It is still hoped that Mr. Elkins may be present, and it is predicted by some to-night that he will arrive in the morning from New York. This hope is entertained by few, however. Hon. J. M. Langston will be down from Wheeling to-morrow and will be one of the speakers at the big mass meeting at the Academy of Music in the evening.

STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING.

The majority of the state executive committee are here and will hold a meeting to-morrow morning before the league is called together to transact such business as may come before it, the principal item of which is deciding on a time and place for holding this state nominating convention. Huntington and Charleston are both candi-

dates for the location with the chances in favor of Huntington. There is talk of Moundsville, but the claim is not being pushed very hard. There is a strong sentiment in favor of dispensing with a state convention to select delegates to the national convention at Minneapolis, the better plan of holding district conventions, at each of which the usual district delegates at large shall be selected, being favored. One of the principal items of business at to-morrow's league convention will be the election of officers.

LEAGUE OFFICERS.

There are no active candidates but to-night in the hotels the names of Hon. T. W. Fleming, of Marion county, and Dr. Stathers, of Ohio county, for President are being canvassed by delegates from the various counties, who recognize the importance of having good workers at the head of the league. For secretary, the next important officer, the present incumbent, Robert Alexander, of Wood county, and Ed. J. Allen, of Taylor county, are in the lead. As early as eight o'clock to-night there were upwards of two hundred delegates, representing about fifty clubs already in the field, and it is impossible to give definite forecasts regarding the choice of officers. There is very little booming for candidates for state and national officers going on. The spirit that inspires the national league is ruling here. The good of the Republican party is the first consideration. Every other consideration is subordinate. a. a. d.

STORM BEATEN.

Many Maritime Casualties Occur on the Coasts of England and Ireland.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—As dispatches continue to be received the list of maritime casualties due to the fierce gales which have swept over the coasts of Great Britain and Ireland grows in length. Among the list of wrecks is the Norwegian timber bark, Dronning Sophie, which went ashore at Galley Head, a promontory of Ireland, in county Cork, between the bays of Ross and Clonakilly. She had a crew of eleven men, who would undoubtedly have been lost had it not been for the gallant efforts of the life boat men, who in the very teeth of a howling gale put out to the wreck and brought all hands safely to shore.

A dispatch from Wexford states that a large steamer bound from Glasgow for South African ports is stranded at Morris Castle, county Wexford. She got off her course during the blinding storm that prevailed last night and went ashore at the height of the storm. She blew signals of distress and sent up rockets, and in a short time the life boat men and the coast guard men were at the scene. It was decided that it would be a safer plan to use the breeches buoy, as the sea was running so high that it would have been almost impossible to get the life boat alongside of the stranded vessel. A rocket was accordingly shot across the steamer and the breeches buoy was rigged after some difficulty, and the captain of the steamer, his wife and all the crew were safely landed, not much the worse for their experience.

The yacht Surprise has been wrecked at Donaghadee Downs 10 miles north of Belfast. The schooner Jane and Alice foundered off Dungarvan, County Wexford. The anxiety that was felt concerning the safety of the British steamer Sir Walter Raleigh which put into Bear Haven, Bantry Bay, with her shaft broken while on a voyage from Philadelphia for Plymouth, and which, while proceeding in tow for a port where she could make repairs, broke adrift and went seaward has been allayed by her re-arrival at Bear Haven. She was picked up at sea by the British steamer Ninian Stuart, Capt. Browne, bound for Baltimore for Queenston, and was towed back to Bear Haven, where she arrived at 5 o'clock last night.

A large life boat, painted black, which appears to have been washed from some trans-Atlantic line steamer, has stranded at Killkenny, County Dublin, two and a half miles southeast of Kingstown. Terrible weather prevailed in St. George's channel last night.

An unknown French steamer foundered off the Sicily islands and three of her crew were drowned. The remaining seventeen of her crew have arrived at Falmouth.

CLEVELAND AT ANN ARBOR.

He Is Presented the Large and Jolly Freedom of the City.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Feb. 22.—Ex-President Grover Cleveland, accompanied by ex-Governor Campbell, of Ohio, ex-Postmaster General Don M. Dickinson, of Detroit, Mr. Bissel, of Buffalo, and Richard Watson Gilder, editor of the Century Magazine, arrived here at 11:45 from Detroit. The city was gaily decorated in honor of her distinguished visitors. Fully 2,000 students of the university were gathered at the depot and greeted them with the blare of tin horns and with the university yell.

Mayor Doty met the party as they alighted from the train and presented Mr. Cleveland with the freedom of the city in a silver casket. The ex-President replied with a few suitable words of thanks. President Angell, of the university, was then presented, and a procession was formed and the party proceeded to the president's residence, where the party had lunch. After lunch the party proceeded to the university hall, where at 3 o'clock Mr. Cleveland delivered an address upon the subject of "Sentiment in our National Life."

Indiana For Harrison.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 22.—Republican primaries for the selection of delegates to the district and state conventions which will choose delegates to the Minneapolis convention, were held throughout the State. Everywhere they resulted in the choice of Harrison men as delegates. In but two counties was there even the semblance of opposition to the administration, and in both the opposition was very feeble.

Parkersburg Pickings.

PARKERSBURG, Feb. 22.—Will Coleman hit Michael Smith on the head with a brick last night during a disgraceful fight in Belore, and Smith is lying unconscious with no hope of recovery, his skull having been split open. J. S. Paxton's store was robbed of \$75 in money, besides a like amount in goods, last night.

Weather Forecast for To-day.

For West Virginia, Ohio and Western Pennsylvania, fair weather, variable winds, mostly easterly, warmer and fair Wednesday.

TEMPERATURE, WHEELING, as furnished by C. SCHNEIDER, druggist, corner Market and Fourteenth streets.

7 a. m.	33°	3 p. m.	56°
9 a. m.	30°	7 p. m.	51°
12 m.	28°		
		Weather—Fair.	